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SUBJ: PROPOSED STOPOVER IN KENYA BY RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION

REF: A. KINSHASA 2335
B. KINSHASA 2521
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1. IN ORDER GIVE ADDITIONAL BUSINESS DIMENSION TO ANY ENFORCED STOPOVER IN KENYA BY RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION, EMBASSY COULD ARRANGE RECEPTION AT HOME OF ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR, 7:00 PM, SATURDAY, APRIL 12. IN ATTENDANCE WOULD BE KEY OFFICIALS OF EAST AFRICAN RAILWAYS AND EAST AFRICAN HARBORS CORPORATION, WHO HAVE SIGNIFIED INTEREST IN MEETING WITH MEMBERS OF MISSION. ADDITIONALLY, WE WOULD INVITE LOCAL AGENTS OF MISSION MEMBERS AND U.S. BANKERS BASED IN NAIROBI. IF NECESSARY EMBASSY WOULD FUND RECEPTION FOR TOTAL OF PERHAPS 50 PERSONS. EMBASSY WOULD ALSO TRY ARRANGE FOR BRIEFING BY KENYANS DURING RECEPTION ITSELF. WE MUST EMPHASIZE, HOWEVER, THAT ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE WE CANNOT RPT NOT PROMISE QUOTE SUBSTANTIVE TALKS UNQUOTE, ESPECIALLY ON A SATURDAY. MISSION MEMBERS SHOULD ALSO BE
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FOREWARNED THAT QUESTIONS OF FINANCING ARE PARAMOUNT IN

MINDS OF EAST AFRICAN RAILWAY AND HARBOR OFFICIALS.

2. EMBOFF WOULD MEET MISSION UPON ARRIVAL FROM LAGOS LATE FRIDAY, APRIL 11 AND EMB WOULD PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL INTER-CONTINENTAL, WHERE EMB HAS RECONFIRMED RESERVATIONS MADE FOR 13 SINGLES BY ADVANCE OFFICER MILLER. EMB WOULD ALSO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM EDDY RECEPTION AND FROM HOTEL TO AIRPORT SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 13.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: FOR USDOC: PLEASE INDICATE SOONEST WHETHER MISSION MEMBERS INTERESTED AND IF SO PROVIDE EMB WITH NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL LOCAL AGENTS OR OTHER PERSONS WHOM MEMBERS WISH INVITED TO RECEPTION. FOR KINSHASA: IF YOUR ALTERNATIVE A SELECTED (KINSHASA 2521), WOULD APPRECIATE YOU SENDING 50 COPIES OF MISSION BROCHURE TO NAIROBI AS SOON AS AVAILABLE BY FASTEST MEANS. EMBASSY'S MAIL ADDRESS IS P.O. BOX 30137.
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